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## Shades of Goldfinger

Since no rules of hearsay are invoked here, you're on your own as to whether you want to believe all this. Here goes: The Miami Herald reported yesterday that Charles Crimaldi (known as "Chuckie" in Chicago underworld circles) is claiming in an upcoming book that the CIA ordered Ilmmy Holfa and mobster Sam Giancana hit because they knew too much as go-betweens with the Mafia in plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. Equally dazzling is Crimaldi's account of Hoffa's end - supposedly in one of those junkyard machines that Odd Job used to compress a car and an enclosed body into a block of metal for Goldfinger: Vera Glaser reported in the Herald that Crimaldi offers no proof that the CIA ordered Hoffa and Giancana killed. But she says that he will claim in the book that he was one of two men approached by Giancana and told that the CIA wanted Castro taken care of. The book's ghost writer is a retired Air Force colonel named John Kidner, who said that he is not always in direct contact with Crimaldi. The Drug Enforcement Administration has given the former reputed underword assassin a new identity for cooperating with agents.